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INFORMATION: MANILA
(EYES ONLY AMB. HARRIMAN)

TO: (PRIORITY) DIRECTOR
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FOR MCGEORGE BUNDY [redacted]

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1. YOUR MESSAGE AUTHORIZING INTERIM RESPONSE TO GIMO'S APPROACHES ON MAINLAND OPERATIONS PLANNING MOST HELPFUL. SUBSTANCE PASSED TO CHIANG CHING KUO 7 MARCH FOR PASSAGE TO GIMO WHO IS ON THREE-DAY TROOP INSPECTION TRIP TO QUEMOY. VIEWS NOT ATTRIBUTED TO ANYBODY IN PARTICULAR IN WASHINGTON BUT CHIANG CHING KUO CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THIS WAS AUTHORITATIVE ALBEIT INFORMAL STATEMENT INTERIM AMERICAN POSITION.

2. ALSO CONVEYED YOUR COMMENTS IN PARA FIVE OF REF AND THESE WERE ESPECIALLY WELL RECEIVED.

3. GIMO PLANNING COMPARATIVELY SMALL DINNER FOR AMB HARRIMAN SO THAT SERIOUS TALK WILL BE POSSIBLE. DO NOT FORESEE MAJOR NEW POINTS TO BE PRESENTED BY GIMO THEN. HOWEVER FULL BRIEFING ON DETAILS OF GRC PLAN FOR INITIAL LARGE-TEAM AIRDROP HAS BEEN PROMISED FOR

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9 MARCH AND GRC COMMENTS ON AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE APPRECIATION OF MAINLAND SITUATION WILL BE DELIVERED TO MC 12 MARCH.

4. WHILE GIMO AND CHIANG CHING KUO PLEASED ABOUT AMB. HARRIMAN'S VISIT TO TAIPEI GRC GENERALLY SOMEWHAT APPREHENSIVE OVER WHAT IS TREATED IN PRESS HERE AS STRANGELY ABRUPT RESIGNATION AND DEPARTURE AMB DRUMRIGHT. IF ANY ASSURANCES CAN BE GIVEN ABOUT PROMPT APPOINTMENT NEW AMBASSADOR WHOM GRC WILL CONSIDER FRIENDLY IT WOULD BE MOST TIMELY TO PASS THEM TO GIMO VERY PRIVATELY BEFORE AMB HARRIMAN'S ARRIVAL.

END OF MESSAGE